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1. AMBASSADOR MET JANUARY 29 WITH PROFESSOR URSU AT  
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IJS REQUEST FOR BRIEF REVIEW OF BILATERAL SCIENCE  
EXCHANGES. IN APPARENT EFFORT TO MEET CONCERNS WE HAVE  
INDICATED MIGHT BE EXPRESSED IN MID-TERM REVIEW TALKS, URSU  
ADDRESSED NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING PROBLEMS. IN GENERAL HE  
SEEMED TO SUGGEST THAT WITH A LITTLE TIME, CURRENT PROGRAM  
DIFFICULTIES COULD BE RESOLVED TO OUR MUTUAL SATISFACTION.  
AS USUAL HE ASSERTED THAT THE EXCHANGE PROGRAMS WERE SATIS-  
FACTORY, ON THE WHOLE, ALTHOUGH IMPROVEMENTS COULD BE MADE.  
AMBASSADOR WELCOMED THIS OPTIMISM, ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF  
POINTS DISCUSSED EARLIER WITH GLIGA (BUCH 474).

2. URSU TOUCHED ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS OF INTEREST TO  
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THE DEPARTMENT:

A. NCST ENERGY RESEARCH PROPOSALS TO ERDA. THE NCST AWAITS ERDA'S RESPONSE TO NCST'S PACKAGE OF ENERGY PROPOSALS WITH GREAT INTEREST. THE AMBASSADOR TOLD URSU THAT THE SCIENCE ATTACHE EXPECTED TO ENQUIRE ABOUT THEIR STATUS DURING HIS VISIT IN CONNECTION WITH FEBRUARY REVIEW TALKS.

B. IVP VISIT OF PROFESSOR A.K. SOLOMON. URSU MUCH APPRECIATED SOLOMON'S VISIT TO BUCHAREST, WHICH HE CONSIDERED SUCCESSFUL, IMPORTANT, AND LIKELY TO OPEN NEW EXCHANGE OPPORTUNITIES. ALTHOUGH HE ATTRIBUTED SOME OPINIONS AND SUGGESTIONS TO PROFESSOR SOLOMON WHICH WE BELIEVE WERE MISUNDERSTOOD, URSU IS EAGERLY LOOKING FORWARD TO SOLOMON'S WRITTEN REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A BIOPHYSICS GROUP IN ROMANIA.

C. CONCERNING HIS OWN VISIT TO THE US AT DR. SZVER'S INVITATION, URSU WAS PLANNING ON EARLY FALL IF THIS PRESENTED NO DIFFICULTIES TO DR. STEVER AND OTHER AMERICAN HOSTS.

D. NSF/NCST PROGRAM. NCST IS COMPLETING EXAMINATION OF NEW COOPERATIVE PROJECTS WHICH GEORGES MATACHE WILL DISCUSS WITH NSF IMMEDIATELY AFTER REVIEW TALKS. HE SAID SPECIFIC DECISIONS ON PENDING PROJECTS, ESPECIALLY IN CHEMISTRY, WILL BE COMMUNICATED WITHIN A FEW DAYS.

E. URSU INDICATED THAT COOPERATION WITH NASA WAS DEVELOPING SMOOTHLY.  
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